

Menasha Parks and Recreation Department
Men's & Coed Adult Softball Information - Read Carefully

2008 Team Registration Dates:

March 24-25 - Teams with more than 50% Menasha city residents

March 26-27 - All returning teams

Starting March 28 - Open registration until leagues are full

Maximum Number of Teams: Coed 20 total

Men's 8 each division per night

New for 2008 – Entry Fee replaces the fees previously paid for as Sponsor and Team Fees

Entry Fee: **\$495—Men's, \$360—Coed**

One-half of the Entry Fee (\$248 Men's Leagues and \$180 Coed league) due with registration form and roster (signed by each player) during the announced registration period. This fee is non-refundable, but does guarantee you a spot in the league.

Balance: Balance of Entry Fee is due one week prior to your league beginning. Sunday and Monday Night league deadline: Monday, April 28, 2008 and Thursday Night league deadline: Thursday, May 1, 2008. **Failure to have all completed paperwork and fees to the MPRD office by this deadline will result in game forfeiture until all missing and/or incomplete information is received.**

Team Rosters/Participation Agreement:

The minimum roster size is 14, the maximum is 20. **Any player can be added until Wednesday, June 4** (no matter where the players lives). All players' must read and sign the roster/participation agreement form before the captain registers his team.

League Class Levels:

Teams are urged to make a realistic assessment of the overall skill of their team and register in the appropriate league! Class levels are based on a scale of A-D.

2007 League Champions of a less competitive league will be moved to a more competitive league on the same night if it becomes necessary to accommodate another team for any reason. This is not necessary nights they had a combined league in 2007.

Registration will be denied unless a minimum 14-player roster/participation agreement (fully completed) and sponsor fee are submitted at time of registration.

<u>Leagues</u>	<u>Likely Diamond</u>	<u>Starting Date</u>
Sunday - Coed Leagues (1 large league)	Jefferson East, West	May 4
Monday - Men's Eastern (Class C and below)	Jefferson West	May 5
Monday – Men's Western (Class B and above)	Jefferson East	May 5
Thursday - Men's Northern (Class C and below)	Jefferson West	May 8
Thursday - Men's Southern (Class B and above)	Jefferson East	May 8

****The MPRD reserves the right to move teams it feels would be better suited to another league on the same night or will balance out the number of teams in two leagues.**

A combined Monday night or Thursday night league may be formed if minimum number of teams are not met on those respective nights.

Captain's Meeting and Bat Stickers: Tuesday, April 15, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. at the Memorial Building (640 Keyes Street) for Coed teams and 7:00 p.m. for Men's teams. All bats used for play in any Menasha league must have a small "approved" sticker on it. Bring your bats to the Captains meeting. Other dates/times for sticker placement at MPRD office, City Hall (2nd floor) Thursdays, April 24 and May 1 from 3:00-4:00 p.m.

Game Schedules – If all teams register in a timely manner, schedules will be ready at the Captain's Meeting. Two copies per team. Schedules will be mailed to teams not attending the captain's meeting.

Reserving Fields for Practice: Reservations for city ball diamonds are taken at the Park and Recreation office, second floor, City Hall. Reservations are limited to two-hour segments with no more than two practices per two-week period. There is no charge for reservations; however, a manager or player must pick up official reservation card in order to reserve a diamond. Call 967-3640 or stop in for diamond availability.

Playing Unregistered Players: The player will be suspended for two games and team will receive a one-game forfeit of a future or past game if no games remain. Future violations could bring a complete team suspension from present or future league play.

Bats and Balls for 2008: See attached banned bat list or visit the website listed on the attached if you are unsure which bats are legal (subject to change at any time). **All bats must have an "approved" sticker attached to the handle prior to use in any Menasha league.** Stickers can be obtained at the April 10th Captain's meeting or Thursday, April 24 or May 1 from 3:00-4:00 p.m. at the MPRD office, City Hall (2nd floor). Bats will be limited to a 1.20 BPF (Bat Performance Factor). BPF is marked on all new bats. New bats should not exceed 1.20 BPF and national softball organizations (ASA, USSSA) support a BPF limit. Contact the MPRD if you have any questions about whether a bat is legal or not. Double-walled bats will be allowed provided they have a 1.20 BPF printed on the bat. A lengthy list of approved bats can be found at www.asasoftball.com under Equipment Certification. In rare cases a bat with a 2000 ASA certification mark may now be banned. All bats with the 2004 ASA certification mark will be allowed. A restricted flight .40 Core Poly Ball will again be used.

Umpires & Scorekeepers: If you know of anyone interested in officiating or scorekeeping this season, ask them to contact the MPRD at 967-3640. By helping to recruit good people, the teams can have a direct impact on the quality of the league. Thanks.

League Rules: Pick up a copy of the league rules when returning your team fee, player fees and roster. Rule modifications may be considered at the Captain's meeting. Rules are subject to change at anytime. Captains are responsible for briefing their players on the league rules.

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Team Registration Form - 2008**

Important Note: Minimum Entry Fee of \$248 for Men's leagues and \$180 for Coed league along with complete team roster are due with this form. Captains should pick up a copy of the league rules when registering their team. **Registration will be denied unless a minimum 14-player roster/participation agreement (fully completed) and minimum Entry Fee are submitted. The remainder of fees may accompany the roster, but must be in no later than one week prior to your league beginning. Sunday and Monday Night league deadline: Monday, April 28, 2008 and Thursday Night league deadline: Thursday, May 1, 2008. Failure to have all completed paperwork and fees to the MPRD office by this deadline will result in game forfeiture until all missing and/or incomplete information is received.**

(Please Print Neatly)

Team Name: _____

Team Captain: _____ **Home Phone:** _____

Address/City: _____ **Work Phone:** _____

Former Name (if applicable): _____

We are a: _____ City of Menasha Team (more than 50% City of Menasha residents)
 _____ Returning Teams
 _____ Other

League Preference: _____ Sunday Coed
 _____ Monday Men's Eastern (Class C & Below)
 _____ Monday Men's Western (Class B & Above) > May be combined
 _____ Thursday Men's Northern (Class C & Below)
 _____ Thursday Men's Southern (Class B & Above) > May be combined

Other Division/Night you would accept: _____

**** To ensure league balance in terms of number of teams per league and team equality, the MPRD reserves the right to place teams in the league of its choice. 2007 champs of lower divisions will be moved up if it becomes necessary to accommodate another team for any reason.**

Team Manager: _____ **Signature:** _____